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ELECTION WITHOUT TRAVERSE

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 24, 2007, in which the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 as follows:

Applicant must elect a species to be examined, and identify the claims encompassing the elected invention.

The Examiner requires an election between specific plants from Claims 2, 3 and 5, wherein Claim 3 depends on Claim 2; Claims 6 and 7 depend on Claim 2 or 3; and Claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 are generic.

Applicants elect for further prosecution the "Cat's claw" from Claim 3 as a species without traverse. Claim 2 is readable on the selected species.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on August 23, 2007.

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Applicants reserve their right to file at a later time a divisional application directed to the non-elected species/claims. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b), there is no change in inventorship as a result of this election.

Respectfully submitted,

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